

# Ellesborough Magazine

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## Chairman's Letter

I would like to thank Steph Hares for her fantastic contribution in managing the advertising for the magazine. Two thirds of our revenue is generated from advertising, and it is quite a job keeping on top of the ever changing advertisers and copy.

stepped forward and we look very much forward to her help as the village magazine continues to find its place in this "digital age".

Richard Jennings

Steph has done this in combination with all her other responsibilities at the farm shop and to her growing family - on behalf of everybody that enjoys the magazine - thank you Steph! A new recruit, Annabelle, has

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## A Note from the Editor

As we, hopefully, move back into more normal times this edition of the magazine reflects the resumption of some of the activities, meetings and events that the village has enjoyed in the past.

A4010 around Princes Risborough and along its route as far as Little Kimble. Additional details of the proposals can be found in a Bulletin called Princes Risborough Southern Road Link (PRSRL) - Public Consultation Bulletin #4 - 19/11/2021, the link is:

As well as details of forthcoming events that are currently scheduled we have reports on recent parish competitions, and successful fund raising events for the three national charities that continue to be very well supported in the village, these being the Children's Society, MacMillan Cancer Support, and The Royal British Legion.

<https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/road-projects-and-improvement-schemes/princes-risborough-southern-road-links-prsrl/>

Also included in this edition are what I hope you will find to be interesting articles on discoveries made during the renovation of Coombe Hill Farm Cottage, and on the background history of Kimble's Stewart Hall.

I am pleased to be able to advise you that this and future editions of the magazine will be available to view - in full colour - on the Parish Council website, the link for which is:

<https://www.ellesborough.org.uk>

We are most grateful to John Hambly for finding the time to write about his cottage, and to John and Sue Stewart for looking into some very interesting facts about the hall that shares their name.

The magazine also continues to be available through the Dunsmore website.

A late inclusion in this edition is information regarding a consultation now underway regarding the proposed re-routing of the

With all good wishes for Christmas and the New Year

Paul Couling  
Editor

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# Notices

## Ellesborough 200 Club

### August 2021

36 Nicola Golding	£50
155 Alice Donnachie	£35
84 B & B Gill	£25

### September 2021

96 Matt Glover	£50
50 Mrs Lee	£35
33 Lynda Perkins	£25

### October 2021

140 Annabelle Hunting	£50 *
106 Peter Tilbury	£35
141 Jackie Rysdale	£25

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## Ellesborough Coffee Mornings

### Ellesborough Coffee 'n Cake.

The village coffee mornings have been well attended, with some neighbours new to the parish joining the regulars on the third Friday of the month.

There will be coffee and mulled wine, cake and mince pies on offer in Ellesborough Parish Hall on **Friday 17th December**. Come and join us if you can, it's free of charge, and you will be made very welcome.

The coffee mornings will resume in the new year on **Friday 21st January, 18th February and 18th March**.

Watch this space for the Spring dates.

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# The Village Chalkboard

## Community events at Ellesborough

CHRISTINGLE  
for FAMILIES  
ELLESBOROUGH  
CHURCH

5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
10.45 am

K&E  
HORTICULTURAL  
SOCIETY  
VIA ZOOM

7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY  
8 pm

CHRISTMAS  
CAROLS with  
SILVER BAND  
VILLAGE HALL

10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
7.30 pm

9 LESSONS &  
CAROLS  
ELLESBOROUGH  
CHURCH

19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
6pm

CRIB  
SERVICE  
ELLESBOROUGH  
CHURCH

24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
4pm

CHRISTMAS  
COMMUNION  
ELLESBOROUGH  
CHURCH

25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
10.45 am

K&E WOMEN'S  
INSTITUTE  
STEWART HALL

12<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY  
2 pm

COFFEE 'n'  
CAKE  
VILLAGE HALL

17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY  
18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY  
10 am

VILLAGE LITTER  
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11 am



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If you haven't made your New Year's Eve plans yet, then now is the time to get booked in and celebrate with us in style. We have live music from the band 'Black Velvet' playing a set of rock & pop covers including all the party favourites guaranteed to keep the party swinging! On top of that, your ticket includes a delicious standing Street Food Supper, perfect to keep your energy up until midnight and beyond! Tickets are £20 per person and must be purchased in advance from the pub.

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More details about our festive menus, New Years Eve party and our gift cards can be found on our website.

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# MEET UP AND CLEAN UP — VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



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**DATE: SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

**TIME: 11:00**

**LOCATION: BUTLERS CROSS VILLAGE HALL**

Take pride in your community and come along to help with our bi-annual litter pick. We are looking for around 40 residents to spare a few hours. Please ensure you wear suitable clothes and footwear and bring gloves. You may like to wear a hi viz jacket/vest if you have one. Litter pickers (which will have been sanitized) and bags will be provided. A well deserved glass of mulled wine (kindly donated by Debra and Kumar Panikkar) awaits you on your return to the village hall. For any further information, please contact Judith Harper on 01296 622033 or Janette West on 01296 696688.

**This event is supported by Ellesborough Parish Council and  
Buckinghamshire Council.**



# Competition Round Up

## Anti-Litter Campaign



The winning entries were positioned around the village to act as a visual reminder. Their work was also recognised and praised by Greg Smith, our Buckingham MP!



## Bird Box Competition



Congratulations to Hugo for his practical Kestrel box to be housed at Buckmoorend Farm, Thomas for his decorative Blue Tit box with its moss roof and Rose for her wooden Blue Tit box now hung at Smokey Row (Great Kimble School's outdoor learning centre). We would also like to thank Liz Norris (one of the judges) for donating some interesting bird books to the school and to Martin Holman for sponsoring the RSPB membership prizes

## Heaviest and Best Pumpkin Carving Competition



Allotment holder judges Brian Barnes and Rob Alexander enjoyed judging this competition with best carvings by Aimee and Hugo. David Harper with his Atlantic Giant won the heaviest pumpkin category. Prize money donated by EPC and if interested in becoming an allotment holder please contact our Parish Clerk.

Remember not to waste the pumpkin's contents and perhaps you may like to try making Judith Harper's recipe on page 36 for Meringue-topped spiced Chestnut & Pumpkin Pie which sounds delicious!

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## Your Community Needs You!!

We are urgently seeking volunteers to join a rota to serve tea and cakes from the "Church on the Hill" The facilities at the church have been much improved, with toilet facilities and a new servery installed.

For several years, walkers, villagers and people just passing by, have come to rely on a welcoming cup of tea and a slice of cake, on Sunday afternoons at this lovely building in our village.

After the enforced closure during the past 2 summer seasons, we are looking forward to starting again at Easter next year, but this will not be possible without more helpers.

HOW IT WORKS..... We need people to bake cakes or scones and also people to serve the teas. We use approximately 4 large cakes each week and 1 dozen scones. Two people are required for each shift, 2-4pm or 4-5.30pm, or you

could do the whole afternoon. We usually receive donations of cakes, or those serving teas for the afternoon bake some themselves.

Why not join up with a friend and do an afternoon together? A very good opportunity to have a "catch up". This is a lovely way to spend an afternoon, meeting people from all over the world who come to visit the area.

Without more help we won't be able to sustain this valuable amenity which also helps raise funds to maintain this landmark in the village.

Please contact Liz Norris if you would be able to help.

Phone: 01296 615821, Mobile:

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## An Introductory Note from Annabelle - Our new Advertising Manager



I would like to thank Steph for providing an easy and clear hand-over to take on the role of as Advertising Manager for the magazine. It was a pleasure working with her and the local businesses on this current issue.

I moved to Ellesborough from West London with my husband Iain 3 years ago and since then we have increased the village population by a further two with our young

boys, Gus, 3 and Max, 1. We all feel very lucky to be living in such brilliant surroundings and can often be found stomping around the local fields and hill tops, usually on our way to or from exploring a local church or the village playground.

Since moving to Ellesborough, our neighbours and the wider community could not have been more welcoming and I am looking forward to getting further involved through my new role at the magazine.

Annabelle

# Kimble and Ellesborough Horticultural Society



As we are not holding meetings in Little Kimble's Stewart Hall at the moment, our speakers will be presenting Zoom meetings. Members will be contacted about these and information about the procedures sent to those who wish to participate. If you are not a member but would be interested in more information please email [kehs.bucks@outlook.com](mailto:kehs.bucks@outlook.com) at least a week before the meeting. When we can return to Stewart Hall members will be contacted and our website updated.

## DECEMBER MEETING - SCHEDULED VIA ZOOM

### *Perennials for all Seasons*

Tuesday 7

Martin Fish from Thirsk, Yorkshire has a long and varied career, including running his own landscape, garden maintenance and nursery business. Most recently, he developed his own garden alongside writing and broadcasting about gardening and acting as an RHS judge. He offers an entertaining, informative and very practical talk on flowers, foliage and interest all year round.

## FEBRUARY MEETING - SCHEDULED VIA ZOOM

### *What Do I do with this Space?*

Tuesday 1

This talk attempts to find the answer to one of the most important questions you can ask when looking out at your garden. Darren Lerigo of Modern Mint in Chelmsford, Essex is a gardener and writer with a broad range of interests including garden design and maintenance. He promises fun and eye-opening inspiration with his most popular talk which takes in gardens and ideas from all over the world.

## MARCH MEETING – STEWART HALL TO BE CONFIRMED

Tuesday 1      7 15 pm      *AGM*  
                         8 00 pm      *Plants, Borders and Gardens*

Timothy Walker, former Director at Oxford University Botanic Gardens and now lecturer in Plant Sciences at Somerville College, Oxford, is always a very informative and entertaining speaker. His personal view of modern English gardening and gardens has been comprehensively revised to reflect changes in the last two decades. It starts by looking at a variety of plants from all over the world that deserve to be more widely grown in our gardens, followed by a look at some ways of putting plants together to create borders and finishes with a consideration of what makes plants & borders into a garden.

Our monthly meetings are normally held at 8 00 pm and, until at least February, will be presented on Zoom. If you would like more information, please email [kehs.bucks@outlook.com](mailto:kehs.bucks@outlook.com). You can also visit our website for any updates.

[www.e-voice.org.uk/kehs/](http://www.e-voice.org.uk/kehs/)



Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity is offering a virtual Tree of Light commemoration service, Books of Honour, and an online dedication page to support those who have faced the loss of a loved one this year.

From 5pm on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December until the New Year, the virtual Tree of Light commemoration service will be available to view on the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity website. The service will provide space and time for families and friends to remember and share those treasured memories in a variety of different ways. There will also be readings and music with time to light a candle to take a moment of reflection and remembrance

“We recognise Christmas can be a very emotional occasion, a time when we particularly think of loved ones who are no

longer with us” says Ann Kenny, the Bereavement Support Team Lead at the Hospice. “These last couple of years have been enormous challenges for everybody, and sadly, many people have faced the loss of a loved one with little outlet to express their feelings properly. Whilst we cannot meet in person as usual at our traditional Tree of Light events, here at Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity, we felt it was incredibly important to still offer a safe space and time for reflection.”

The Charity has also set up an online Tree of Light remembrance page where you can dedicate a memory to someone special. To make a dedication online, allowing friends and family all over the world to view, you can do so by visiting:

[fnhospice.dedicationpage.org/treeoflight2021](http://fnhospice.dedicationpage.org/treeoflight2021)

## Councillor's Report

Dear Residents

It's been another challenging year for all of us in so many ways ,but with the outstanding work of the NHS and many other organisations we can get back to some sort of normality and very much appreciate the support received for our communities. The rollout of vaccines was a major challenge and very successful but a way to go yet. The Buckinghamshire Council had a part to play in putting out updates and communicating with many Partnerships involved.

Several road schemes and repairs have been ongoing in our area and improving some of the pavements. Many residents have contacted me about parking issues when people visit our lovely countryside which became a big issue so we raised them with the council which resulted in actions to prevent it happening in the future.

Our schools are doing a great job which is very important to all of us and the future of our children.

Communication with HS2 has been a very big problem in the past but hopefully will improve in the future after lobbying the Council.

The new local plan for the whole of the council area is being put together at the moment which needs to be completed by 2025.

After being brought up in a very deprived area of Wycombe in my childhood I do realise the many challenges in life in all sorts of ways and I will continue to support our community in any way possible.

Can I please thank everyone who makes our area a great place to live in.

David Carroll

# Gardening in Ellesborough...

## Notes from an occasional diary

It has been such a long slow, quite wet, mild and truly glorious autumn, the best of conditions on our chalk soil for a slow leaf fall with the colours stunning, that winter arriving takes me by surprise. There is plenty to be done as the weather and the daylight hours close in, the compost bins fill and the shredder is busy. At least it is something to focus on as the world around seems exceptionally chaotic.

Nature is demanding, given the opportunity in no time at all would take over. The earliest histories of gardening are about pushing back the encroaching wilderness, enclosing plots, making them productive and ultimately creating beauty. Equally demanding is a very human need to control nature and we have been so good at doing so that the science suggests great damage has been done. So now the tables have turned as we realise, hopefully just in time, that we need to respect and give nature a chance to recover. Many are the voices urging the environmentally concerned gardener to let the wilderness in and not kept out.

How far do we allow our gardens to let unbridled nature takeover? I suppose that will depend on how much we take to heart the dire warnings of climate change pundits; perhaps, even more, how much we feel the need to keep control of our plots, whatever the size. How far do we cut back and clip, strim and rake up, tidy and spray weed killer? How much is it to do with how better we feel with every thing tidy?

These wintery thoughts come to mind as, in a steady drizzle, I tackle a jungle that has grown up in a corner at the back of the gazebo. Years ago I stacked piles of old logs to rot down and provide a mini enclave for any creature that thrived in such conditions. Left to its own devices it now it is overgrown; tree trunks weighed down by a thick mass of twisting ivy, and now in the way of getting a ladder up to prune back the honeysuckle

(amazingly still in flower) and the rambling rose over the structure. So I compromise and leave half undisturbed.

The Head Gardener (HG) is of a more controlling temperament, especially when it comes to weeds: where they shouldn't be and where thuggish plants get overlarge. Where I would be tempted to let some ground elder become ground cover, she would be horrified at the smothering effect on less vigorous plants, so a constant battle against ground elder ensues. It is though a question of balance; now that we are reducing the size of the conventional cultivated borders, shrubs and small trees expand and more are being planted, so gradually more of the ground is being covered naturally. Some grassed areas are left to link in with the wild flower meadow. Letting nature take over in a limited way is a benefit both for ancient gardeners scaling back the work load and for the environment.

The most recent winters have been mild, the question is what are we to expect this time? Many of the HG's Dahlias have survived being left in the ground under a heavy mulch and we have had little loss of semi-tender plants. A hard 2021/22 winter of plunging temperatures could cause a lot of damage to unprotected tender survivors. The standard apple tree that was old when we first moved here nearly fifty years ago, once a welcome midday shady spot, slowly dies off each season branch by branch. Our current plan is to use the trunk as support for a climbing rose and a clematis in anticipation of its final demise. So it will not be lost entirely – nor logged up for the wood burning stove.

TY November 2021

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# THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY DROP IN

## Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Thank you to everyone who has supported The Children's Society, once again, this year. The annual event, on the 6<sup>th</sup> November, was a huge success because so many of you gave up your time to "drop in", help, donate or return your collection box.

It was a lovely community event with Christmas gifts, house accessories, jewellery, cards, a raffle and lots of cake and company.

I am presently counting and will publish the total funds raised in the next magazine. These will help to improve the life of disadvantaged children within our country.

### **(See article on The Children's Society)**

You may also like to know that the raffle prizes were won by local ladies: Jenny Gilbert, Kim Senior & Jenny Watts

This was my 25th year of fund raising for The Children's Society - but it does not happen without your support and help. As a community we should be very proud that we contribute so generously, through our fundraising, to The Children's Society.

Thank you.

### **TO BE INVOLVED:**

*You can support The Children's Society by:*

- *Coming along to Christingle  
(Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10,45 Ellesboro. Church)*
- *Attending events*
- *Just Giving Donation:*  
[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/judith-harper21](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/judith-harper21)

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1<sup>st</sup> raffle prize

## Ellesborough Parish Church Services December 2021 to February 2022

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	10.45 a.m.	Christingle
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	18.00 p.m.	Nine Lessons and Carols
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Eve	4.00 p.m.	Crib Service
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Day	10.45 a.m.	Christmas Communion (short service)
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> December	No Service in the Benefice	
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	10.45 a.m.	Songs of Praise
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	No Service at Ellesborough Church	
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	10.45 a.m.	Songs of Praise
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	10.45 a.m.	Sung Matins (BCP)
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	10.45 a.m.	Parish Communion
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	10.45 a.m.	Songs of Praise

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**Dunsmore Church:** Carol Service Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 5.00 p.m.  
Holy Communion 25<sup>th</sup> December at 8.45 a.m.

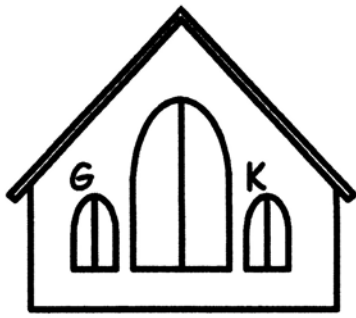
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### Children's Services

There will be a Children's Service with Craft for children in Kimble and Ellesborough at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday 23 January 2022 at St. Nicholas Great Kimble.

The pattern thereafter will be that there will be a Children's service once a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at either St. Nicholas or St. Peter and St. Paul except during half terms and holidays.

A programme will be given out at the Christingle and Crib services. There will be no children's service in February because of half term.



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## School News - November 2021

I am delighted to be writing in the Ellenborough magazine as the new Headteacher at Great Kimble C of E School. It is my privilege to be able to continue the excellent work of the school with the Governors, The Great Learners Trust and the rest of the dedicated school team.

**School Events** - We are so pleased to be able to resume some of our usual school activities with the children this term. The year three and four children have enjoyed starting the swimming lessons and our older children will be starting lessons later this academic year. We have also taken part in a Victorian Workshop, where the children dressed in Victorian clothes.

We have had fun organising extra events with FOKS (Friends of Kimble School) and so far, we have held cake sales and the parents have run a movie night for the children in school. Later this term we will be having our usual Christmas Fayre, but this year it will be an outdoor market, which we are really looking forward to.

**Wednesday Worship** – We are so excited to be able to return to St Nicholas Church for Wednesday Worship once a month. Whilst the congregation and parents are not able to join us at the moment, the children have been pleased to be able to visit the church again and perform their reading, prayers and songs to Reverend Janet.

**Remembrance Day** - To mark and support Remembrance Day, the children of Great Kimble School have laid a wreath at the War Memorial to show our respect. The school value focus for this half-term is 'Thankfulness' and we are thankful for the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian servicemen and women in the two World Wars and later conflicts.

**Collective Worship** - As well as welcoming Tim Harper to our Great Kimble School community we are pleased to be inviting Kai Turk from Little Kimble Free Church. Kai is the new minister at the church and he will be joining us for some of our collective worship this academic year.

**Staff News** – We were sad to say goodbye to Mrs Godfrey, our Office Administrator at the end of September, and we thank her for her dedication to the school over many years. We are pleased have recently appointed Miss Bradley as our new Office Administrator who is looking forward to working with the community of Great Kimble. Miss Butler has also started with Great Kimble in September 2021 and is our new Year 5 teacher.

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

*Mrs C Lodge, Headteacher*



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# Affordable Housing Update

Following the recent Parish Council Meeting (September), and the report from the Housing Needs Survey being made available, Ellesborough Parish Council would like to update you on some recent developments, and address some concerns.

The full report published by the third party organisation (Community First Oxon) who delivered the survey can be found on the EPC website

<https://www.ellesborough.org.uk/reports-and-audits>

In summary, 324 surveys were distributed, with 121 being returned. EPC would like to sincerely thank all those who participated in this survey. The survey indicated a provisional need for 7 rented units, and 13 shared ownership units.

In response to the question '**Do you support a small development of homes for those in affordable housing need with local connections to the parish of Ellesborough**'

- 51.5% of respondents said yes
- 27.5% of respondents said No
- 21% said Maybe

At the recent meeting, a total of 6 parishioners voiced some concerns regarding the Affordable Housing proposal. Councillors listened, and engaged positively with these concerns, and would like to share the update on these matters with the whole parish.

## **Building in the AONB**

A large part of the concern by some parishioners is the act of building new properties in the Chilterns AONB. EPC has given significant thought to this point, as it is an argument that carries considerable weight. The Chilterns AONB spans some 422, 000 acres (over 600 sq miles). This proposed development would take up less than 1 acre. Moreover, the currently proposed site at Home Close Farm is grazed grassland for horses. It offers little by way of biodiversity and natural capital. With the proposed small development

of homes will come an oversight that will include some native tree planting, shrubbery and gardens.

## **Appropriateness of the site**

Some believe the site to be inappropriate for reasons other than its AONB status. EPC believes it is an ideal site due to its proximity to local amenities. It is situated a short walk from bus stops, the park, the village hall, the pub and the church.

## **Effect on neighbouring properties**

Some arguments have been raised with concerns as to how this could impact on neighbouring properties. Given the level of emotion in these arguments EPC have considered them very carefully and taken them into account when considering the proposed site.

The EPC recognise that the subject site has some immediate neighbours who, understandably, would prefer that the subject site is not developed. It could, however also be considered that any new development for housing should logically be an extension to the urban ribbon development of the village. The downside to extending the existing urban footprint is that it will always impact some neighbours more than others.

The EPC concluded that the proposed site is well screened by a tall conifer hedge. The visible impact from the road will be minimal, both during any construction period and into the future following any form of finished development.

## **Hastoe Housing**

An argument has been made that Hastoe are not the right developer to be delivering this project. EPC has seen evidence in Kimble, at their development there, that Hastoe are capable of delivering this project. They are approved by Bucks Council, and have been found to be in the top 30 sustainable UK housing providers 2021 ([www.housingdigital.co.uk/top-30-sustainable-housing-providers-the-results/](http://www.housingdigital.co.uk/top-30-sustainable-housing-providers-the-results/))

## Affordable Housing Update (continued)

It has also been confirmed that there will be no ongoing financial liabilities for EPC in the management of this scheme.

### **The Need Survey**

The validity of the recent Need Survey has been questioned with attention being drawn to the link between Affordable Housing and the Bucks Home Choice register. The recently conducted survey is an indicator of need, without the benefit of means testing, whereas the BHC register is a database of citizens within Bucks who qualify for affordable housing. However, the BHC register does not identify all relevant households with strict local connection criteria. For example; any households that moved outside of the parish due to the lack of suitable housing. It is also the case that not all households register for housing, such as children living at home, or that not all households qualify to join, such as those living in assured shorthold tenancies with adequate space, albeit they may only have a 6 month agreement. When considering the needs survey, Bucks Council expect that Community First Oxon are able to offer background with regards to the methodology used to identify households who meet the strict local connection criteria which form the basis for allocation of this type of exception scheme.

One of the ongoing criticisms being made of the EPC and raised again at the meeting, is that the council have acted deceitfully through the whole process of this Affordable Housing proposal. This is something that EPC wholeheartedly refutes. Since 2017, when the initial Needs Survey was undertaken, there have been public meetings and opportunities for parishioners to engage in this process. A total of 10 sites were identified as potentially suitable for a small development of this kind. Of the ten only one landowner was willing to engage with the developer to facilitate this proposal. EPC had no involvement in

the commercial relationship between the developer and the landowner, and have had no contractual involvement with either party. On the 1st February 2021 Hastoe held a consultation for parishioners, which was facilitated by the EPC, to share their views on the proposal. This was followed with a Zoom meeting to share the results of the consultation, and engage in positive, constructive debate with parishioners around the proposed site.

Ellesborough Parish has been fortunate in that we have not been forced to generate a Neighbourhood Plan, which is effectively a way of Buckinghamshire Council forcing Parishes to allocate new sites for housing to meet National targets. Kimble are adopting a Neighbourhood Plan now, which has forced them to allocate land for 140 new houses to be developed. It would be naive to consider that Ellesborough will not have future pressure on it to provide new housing, and therefore the EPC consider it a responsible approach to encourage small scale sustainable development.

EPC has been made aware that Hastoe are currently working on a planning application to submit to Buckinghamshire Council. This application is expected to be for a proposal of 6 x 2 bedroom units. An update will be sent to all parishioners as soon as we find out that this has been submitted. The application will be subject to all normal processes, and as such you will be able to make your views known to Bucks Council at this stage. EPC encourages all residents to do this.

Daniel Hares  
Ellesborough Parish Council

# News & Reports - Kimble & Ellesborough W.I.

On the 1st of **September**, the President, Elizabeth Hine, welcomed 38 of our members, gathered together at Stewart Hall for the first time since March 2020. It was so good to see friends we'd not seen for over a year, and we congratulated each other on staying safe throughout the pandemic.

We discussed whether or not we should start the coffee mornings and pub lunches again, but decided to wait until next year, to make absolutely sure we would be safe, and the London Group agreed that we would not be visiting the capital before next Spring.

We heard further details about the forthcoming river trip, from Runnymede to Windsor, which will include a four course Christmas dinner, on Wednesday 8th December. The cost is £40. The coach is full but if you'd drive to Runnymede YOU could still join us on board for the cruise and Christmas lunch.

Sadly, our speaker, Madeline had been 'pinged' and had not received her Covid test results, so it was best she didn't come. We must all continue to be vigilant and stay safe. There was not enough time to engage another speaker so after a few 'phone calls, members got out their poetry books and read us some of their favourite poems.

On a glorious sunny **October** afternoon, 34 members attended the WI meeting and we welcomed 7 visitors, some of whom wished to join.

We heard more details of our Christmas cruise on 8th December, and look forward to a trip to Coventry Cathedral in the spring.

Our speaker was a great favourite of our WI, Neil Rees, who talked about a visit he had made to that other Bucks County, in Pennsylvania, U.S.A. William Penn, persecuted in England for his Quaker faith, went to America in 1682 and established Pennsylvania as a place where people could enjoy religious freedom. Penn obtained the lands from King Charles II, as payment for a debt owed to his deceased father, Admiral Sir William Penn, by King Charles I, for outfitting and feeding the British navy.

**November** meetings have a different format. Members are invited to come at 11 o'clock, when the committee welcome them with morning coffee and we enjoy a longer social time before the meeting starts. Carole Singleton had come with her beautiful collection of Flamingo Christmas and birthday cards, wrapping paper and tags for sale.

The WI meeting took place, with updates on the planned outings and everything we had to look forward to. Followed by the Annual Meeting. The treasurer, Sue Stewart gave her financial report, assuring us we have enough revenue to see us through to the end of the WI year in March, despite

receiving no income from members for the year 2021. Members had only to pay the portion required by the National Federation and the Buckinghamshire Federation.

Our Secretary, Bev Russell gave her cheerful report, followed by the President's annual report. Elizabeth remembered the Christmas Goody Bags delivered to members during lockdown, containing 17 different things, all home made by committee members, including a tiny Christmas cake and pudding, jars of marmalade, cranberry sauce and chutney, hand made sweets, chocolates and biscuits, plus really lovely Christmas face masks, decorations and lavender bags.

Bouquets of spring flowers had also been delivered to members for Mothering Sunday, and a large chocolate Easter Egg a few weeks later. Elizabeth thanked all the committee members concerned, but special thanks were given to Jeanette Jones, who offered her spacious garage where we could organise the packing of the goody bags, plus the sorting and delivering of the flowers and Easter eggs during those worrying, pre vaccination times.

She thanked those who booked our speakers, (and this year mainly cancelled them again,) booked the hall for our meetings, delivered flowers and cards to our sick members, and sourced books for our book table, which provides the income for those flowers. Special thanks were also offered to Maggie Kaye who organised the virtual meetings via Zoom, and taught us how to take part during lock down.

There was sadness during the year too, when we heard that our beautiful Georgian manor house, our Denman College, did not survive lock down and is to be sold, despite the £700,000 collected by members to save it. We were also upset to hear that despite not holding meetings since March 2020, our subscriptions were to be increased. Many local WIs did not survive these set backs and lock downs, so it was a sad time for so many long term members.

But we have much to look forward to. A new ladies social club will start up in the Spring, not connected to the WI, and we hope because of this, new ladies will come forward to join us, and experience a warm welcome.

Margaret Couling then took over the meeting, for the voting for committee members, and the secret ballot for President. Mrs. Elizabeth Hine was re-elected President.

If you would like to join the new ladies club, contact Mrs. Elizabeth Hine, whose telephone number and email address is at the back of this magazine.

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## Lindengate – Better Health & Wellbeing for All, Through Nature

As the colder, darker weather continues, it is tempting to stay in the warm rather than exercise. However, it is important for us all to maintain our physical and mental wellbeing.

There are many benefits to spending just a few minutes a day outdoors. Here are a few of them:

- Regular exercise outdoors every day can improve both our mood and our physical health, leading to reduced stress and increased self-esteem.
- Some research also suggests moderate exercise can strengthen the immune system, reducing the risk of coughs and colds.
- Always make sure you're warm before you go outside. Wear several layers to keep heat in and warm up for 10 minutes before you start.
- Meet up with friends to exercise, whether a walk, run, or drop in to Lindengate during one of our open to all sessions (see website for opening times)
- If you like to be active in the garden, there's no reason why you should stop just because the temperature drops. You can plan a Winter garden, so there is always plenty to see and do, during the colder months of the year.

We look forward to welcoming you to Lindengate, where nature breathes new life into anyone looking for a little support with their wellbeing. Situated over 5 acres, take time for yourself and let nature nurture your wellbeing.

For more information on Lindengate, programmes & events, go to: [www.lindengate.org.uk](http://www.lindengate.org.uk)

### **Litter picking – not everyone is a local resident.**

I went for my regular walk along the road to the church, last Friday, and coming towards me were three people, armed with black plastic sacks. I stopped to say hello and asked whether they represented our volunteer "Litter Pickers" and where they lived in Butlers Cross. Their reply surprised me,

"We regularly come here for walks around Coombe Hill, visit the church and enjoy tea

and cakes when available. We love the area so pick litter as we walk".

What a surprise for me to learn that they live in Marlow and always come armed with a black sack, happy to pick the litter.

I expressed my thanks and said I would show our gratitude by mentioning it in our Parish Magazine.

Do think about volunteering when you see notices for our next Litter Picking day.

Sheila Tunstall

# Princes Risborough Southern Road Link Public Consultation - November 2021

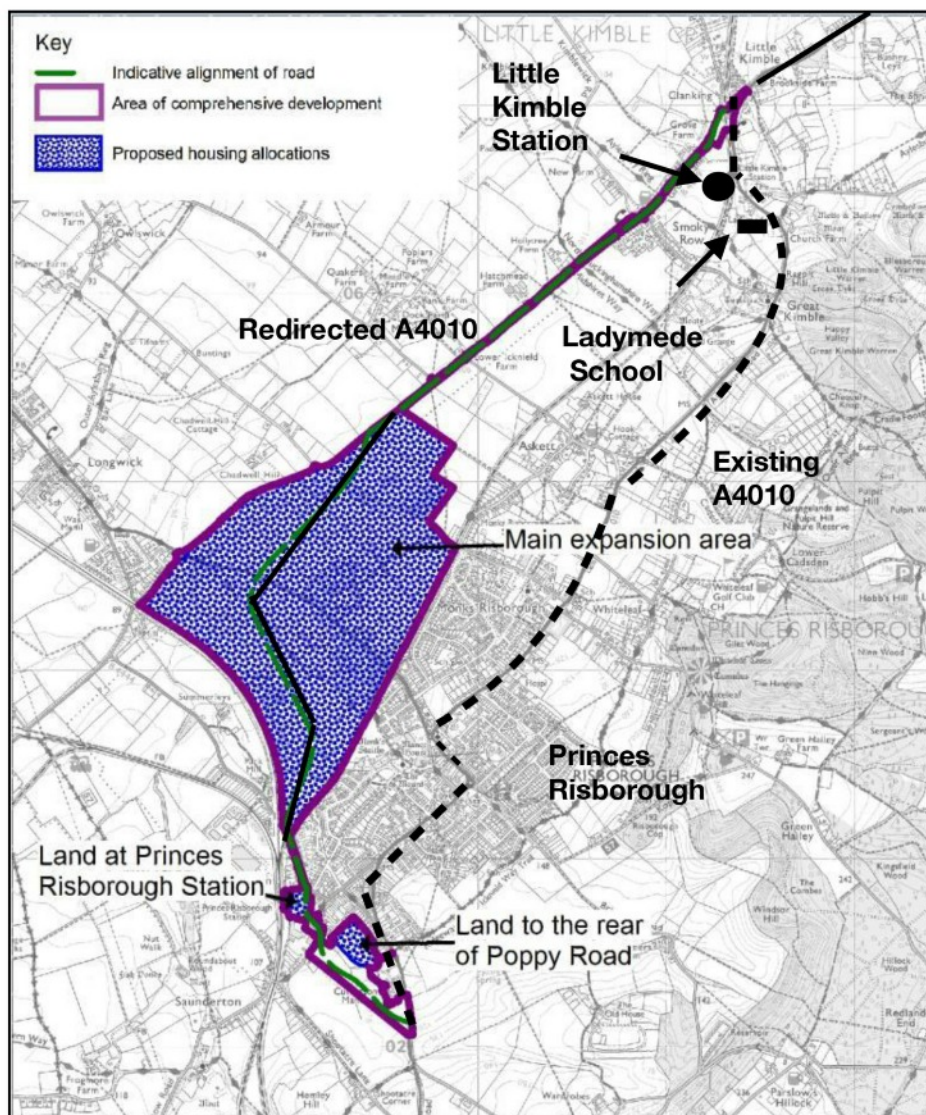
The proposed new Southern Road Link is an early phase of the expansion of Princes Risborough to support new housing.

The ultimate redirection of the A4010, Princes Risborough Road, through the Kimbles will have a significant impact on traffic in Ellesborough Parish.

Buckinghamshire Council are holding a public consultation on the first phase: Friday 19 November to Sunday 12 December 2021.

To access the online consultation search 'Your Voice Bucks' or visit this web address: [yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com](https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com)

Richard Jennings



# Dunsmore News - Welcoming the Holiday Season

Dunsmore is coming back to life after what seems an interminably long pandemic period. We've had the DVHA's Annual General Meeting and a Quiz and Chips Night, both in the Village Hall. And it has been a delight to use our treasured facility once more. Now we're looking forward to sharing it again with our friends and neighbours in a festive atmosphere.

At the AGM on October 9th, the Dunsmore Village Hall Association voted in next year's committee and officers. Staying in the chair is Julian Hamer, and Dave Marshall continues his role as Chair of the hall trustees. Stepping down from the committee were Debbie Cooper and Nikki Stillwell. Both Vanessa Havard and Lorraine Smith retain their seats on the committee. Ivan Stillwell replaces Chris and Alice Minchell as treasurer, a role they have shared for the last several years. New volunteer Tod Weller completes the roster of members. Congratulations to those in new positions, and our warm wishes and hearty thanks to those who have served the village so well in the past.

The popular annual Quiz Night and Fish and Chips supper was held in the hall on November 20th. Will the current champs retain their title or will there be new brainiacs to take their place? Unfortunately, the magazine deadline doesn't allow for results, but the enjoyable evening was bound to turn up some interesting teamwork!



On August 26th, Ros Wood celebrated her 90th birthday at Hampden Leaf. She was joined by her entire family on that lovely day: children Caroline and Michael, their spouses, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. They piled onto the steps for this lovely tribute photo to Ros.

Congratulations, Ros – we're looking forward to the next big one!

## Welcome to Dunsmore!

Catherine and Peter Harris joined the official ranks of villagers in early September, when they moved into The Fox. We were sorry to see John and Jeni Henderson head off to Somerset, but we're delighted to welcome the Harrises to Dunsmore. They've come from Bacombe Lane, in an HS2-forced move. Just a short hop for them, but we're happy they are with us and know they will be assets to the village. Please welcome them as you meet them at future activities.

## Paul Roberts



Paul Roberts, 69, a resident at the Old Black Horse for 28 years, died suddenly on September 7th. He is survived by his wife Anita, son Sean and two grandchildren. A native of Ealing, Paul spent 30 years working as a respected member of the computer department at Taylor Woodrow. He was involved in many important projects

including the Channel Tunnel, St. Katherine's Dock, Dubai Dry Docks, the Jubilee Line and Docklands Light Railway, to name just a few.

An active member of the village, Paul served on the DVHA committee and was chairman for two years. He is remembered best for his kindness and generosity, helping friends and neighbours with paper delivery, chicken watch, cat sitting, key holding and keeping the common mowed. Paul also volunteered to transport partially sighted members to their reading group at Wendover Library every month.

Paul was an avid supporter of Tottenham Hotspur and spent many a Saturday afternoon on the terraces at White Hart Lane. Son Sean took up that interest, too, and they often enjoyed seeing the team live, together. Cricket was another passion, which he often enjoyed at the Oval or Lords. Paul and Sean travelled to Belgium, Germany and Italy together to watch the Grand Prix, as well.

He will be sadly missed for his kindness, reliability and helpfulness.

## Dunsmore News (continued)



The King Family did it! Three g o r g e o u s carvings (a dragon, an owl and a bat) – all brilliantly done – won the 2021 P u m p k i n C a r v i n g C o n t e s t . Though the competition was stiff, as

usual, kudos to Jodie, Sam and Mya for their outstanding work. Just look at this owl!

### Upcoming Events

The next **Ladies' Lunch** will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, **December 14**, at noon. Please RSVP to Vanessa Havard if you wish to attend this special Christmas edition of our very sociable luncheon. We provide our own food, and attendees will be sent a list of items in advance so they can contribute to the spread. It's fun – and festive! Share a lovely meal and get to know your neighbours a bit better.

The annual **Winter Warmer** is back, fingers crossed, on Friday, **December 17**, at 8 p.m.. This event is an opportunity to get your holiday period off to a very festive start. Join other villagers for mulled wine and mince pies, and pass along your holiday wishes in person. Save the date!

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## Church of the Resurrection, Dunsmore

We held our Harvest Festival in the middle of October and were delighted to invite John Shaw, a local preacher on the Methodist circuit, to lead the service. John has many years experience working with aid agencies both professionally and as a volunteer. He gave us a very interesting and enlightening talk on the local food banks and how many more people have relied on them in the past eighteen months. The village had collected a large amount of food for the food bank which John took away with him. The following is an extract from the thank you letter received from The Chiltern Foodbank showing how great the need for the organisation is locally.

I am writing to thank all of the Dunsmore Church community for your generous Harvest Festival collection. The total weight of the food donated was 76.6 kg. in the past year we have delivered food that would support over 5,450 people, over a third of which were children and we have, with your help, provided over 49,000 meals. Whilst we begin to open up again and get used to the new normality, times remain uncertain and the foodbank is still in demand and may become more necessary for some individuals and families going forward. It is wonderful to have such great support from the community.

Once again thank you from all at the Chiltern Foodbank and our clients.

As we were unable to hold either our Carol Service or Christmas Day Communion last year we are keeping our fingers crossed that nothing is cancelled this year.

The church is being decorated for the Christmas season on **Thursday 9th December at 7.30pm**. We look forward to seeing as many volunteers as possible on the evening, if you have Christmas greenery in your garden, particularly holly with berries, can you bring some with you. To get everyone into a Christmas spirit (and to keep us warm) there will be mulled wine and some nibbles.

There are two services over the Christmas period. On **Sunday, 12th December at 5.00pm** there will be a **Carol Service** followed by mince pies and a warming glass of fruit punch. This service will be for the whole family with a talk involving sweets and the crib being laid out by the children during the service.

On **Christmas Day** we are welcoming the vicar of Wendover, Sally Moring, who will officiate at a service of Holy Communion at **8.45am**. The communion will follow the Anglican liturgy but we warmly welcome **all** villagers to come and celebrate Christ's birth.

The trustees would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas.



## Cranberry & Lentil Bake



*With a traditional Turkey Roast on the menu, it is often difficult to come up with a vegetarian option, This Cranberry & Lentil Bake is an answer – and it goes perfectly with the traditional root vegetable and Brussels sprouts.*

*This recipe is for one – so multiply for however many vegetarian diners are around your Christmas dinner table.*

*You can make these 2 days in advance or earlier if you wish to freeze it.*

### Ingredients for one serving

- 25g dried cranberries
- 1 tbsp red wine
- 125g cooked puy lentils
- 2 tsp olive oil
- ½ onion, finely chopped
- ½ garlic clove, crushed or finely grated
- 1 tbsp chopped sage
- ½ tbsp chopped parsley
- ¼ tsp smoked paprika
- pinch ground cloves
- 1 tsp tomato purée
- 1 tsp soy sauce
- 1 tsp cornflour

### Method

1. Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Oil and line the base of a 200ml ovenproof ramekin with a circle of baking parchment. Put the cranberries in a small pan with the wine and cook for a couple of mins over a medium heat until the cranberries are plump and the wine syrupy. Pour into the base of the ramekin and set aside.
2. Put the lentils in a bowl and roughly mash about half of them with a fork. Heat the oil in a small pan and cook the onion for 6-8 mins over a medium heat until softened. Stir in the garlic, herbs, paprika and cloves and cook for another minute. Turn off the heat and add the lentils, tomato purée, soy and cornflour, stir everything together well, then spoon into the ramekin, pressing down gently with the back of a spoon. *Can be chilled for two days, or freeze for up to two months, with the ramekin covered. Defrost in the fridge before cooking.*
3. Put the ramekin on a baking tray and bake for 15 mins. Leave to cool for 1 min, then turn out onto a plate.

**IF YOU HAVE A FAVOURITE SEASONAL RECIPE,  
AND WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IT THROUGH THE MAGAZINE:  
CONTACT: Judith Harper 01296 622033. [jd25.harper@gmail.com](mailto:jd25.harper@gmail.com)**



## Some biblical thoughts about Christmas

Think of the words of Isaiah 60 used by Handel in his oratorio 'The Messiah'.

*Arise, shine for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you,  
For, behold darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples.  
But the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.  
And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.  
...they shall bring gold and frankincense.  
...all the flocks of Kedar will be gathered to you.*

Isaiah was talking of wonderful things he expected to happen in Jerusalem. They did not happen in Jerusalem and not in the time expected. The Gospel writers whom we call Matthew and Luke however knew this text and perceived that the glorious events projected for Jerusalem were taking place in the birth of Jesus. Around *the child* there was a great light and the glory of the Lord appeared. To *the child* came Arab wise men from the desert with gold and frankincense. Shepherds visit *the child* not the city.

The birth stories shifted expectations; God will not take his place on earth by dwelling in Jerusalem. The expectations are fulfilled by his dwelling in Jesus - the new community which forms round *the child*, inherits the promises that God would dwell with them.

(With acknowledgment to Kenneth Bailey in 'Jesus Through Middle Eastern Eyes').

Revd Janet Wales

## The Ark/St. Mary's Church Rooms

28 Risborough Road, Stoke Mandeville HP22 5UT

The Ark is the Hall for St. Mary's Church, Stoke Mandeville. It has recently been attractively redecorated and is available for hire for meetings, parties and functions. To book please contact Lesley Turner at [bookingsattheark@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsattheark@gmail.com) or leave a message on 01296 615886.

Facilities include:

- a fully equipped kitchen
- disabled access and facilities
  - some outdoor space
  - some parking and
- a light and airy hall to accommodate up to 40 people.

## Welcome to the village - Patrick Myles

Ellesborough Magazine had a note from Patrick inviting us to meet the "Chicken Man". Intrigued I set off to interview him at his home in Butlers Cross.

Patrick has recently moved into the village from High Wycombe - quite a different scene, but more to his liking being a country man.

His father was a part time greyhound trainer - and small holder near Princes Risborough where he paddocked donkeys - for childrens' rides at local



summer village festivals. Patrick developed a similar love of animals and a touch of the showman as well. He trained to be a semi professional dog trainer, his speciality breed is Jack Russells, well known for their vitality and cheekiness. However for something that really stands out

Patrick developed an animal act: "Chicken Tricks".

Patrick makes a daily visit to his outpost in Radnage to feed his flock, collect the eggs, and practice a few party tricks with his fowl: "Pick The Queen of Hearts" and "Knock Back a Guinness".



*Patrick in the press*

This sounds unusual, and it is. His fun activity has appeared in the red top press, curiosity tv shows, Wycombe Country Fare and he may even perform in our Parish Summer Fair.

In the meantime he is anticipating receiving his new Jack Russell puppy and I am sure you will meet him around and about the village training his next challenge.

Richard Jennings

# Community Bus - A Bus for All Seasons



Christmas shopping in PR?  
Catch the bus and leave the car  
Avoid the parking stress and fuss  
Travel on our cosy bus.  
Want a gift that may surprise  
Local shops have good supplies  
Slippers, chocolates, books and  
booze  
Fabric, pet toys, cards and shoes  
Have a coffee, tea or bun  
Retail therapy is fun

And when you can shop no more  
The bus will drop you at your door.  
Monday, Thursday, Saturday  
Timetabled stops along the way  
Askett, Butlers Cross and Kimble.  
We pick up the not-so nimble,  
Young folk, babies and their mums  
School kids jaunting with their chums.  
All are welcome , step inside  
Relax, sit back, enjoy the ride.



# Red Kite Radio

## Our very own radio station

Red Kite Radio has been broadcasting in our area for four years now, with local presenters and newsreaders playing music from every decade from the sixties right through to today's newest releases, and giving out information about local news and events.

It's a great way to feel connected to the community and it can be listened to in several ways including on the traditional radio, by tuning your home or car radio into 107.2fm. However, as lots of us have smart speakers these days, it's also very easy to just say your wake up word and ask "Play Red Kite Radio". And it's also available online at the station's website [www.redkiteradio.com](http://www.redkiteradio.com) by clicking on the Listen Now button.

The station operates 24 hours a day every day of the year with breakfast, morning, afternoon and drivetime shows during the week which play music from every decade; and specialist shows in the evenings and at weekends; with the addition of pure uninterrupted music running throughout the night. There are specialist shows covering the Sixties, Seventies, Eighties, Nineties, Noughties, 2010s and right up to the current day; plus sport, classic rock, Motown, musicals, Blues, Country, party hits and a special easy listening show for bedtime.

The hourly news bulletins include the national headlines but also cover local news, events and weather; and the daytime show presenters all give information about things taking place in our community.

The station, with a studio based in Haddenham, is run not for profit and around twenty five volunteers present the shows, source and read the news and provide technical support to enable the station to provide its full schedule of shows

The volunteers, who are all from the local area, come from all walks of life, they're all ages, with various interests, but the one thing they are united on is the spirit of the station and that is to provide music from across the decades interspersed with friendly chat, fun, companionship and plenty of local news presented in a very professional manner.

If you want to feel really connected to the beautiful area we live in do remember to tune into Red Kite Radio on 107.2fm, on your smart speaker or online.

And if you want to contact the station with your own news or event for broadcast email [contact@redkiteradio.com](mailto:contact@redkiteradio.com)

The handy programme schedule opposite will be published in every issue of the Ellesborough Magazine from now on, you might want to tear it out and pop it on your kitchen notice board.

Happy listening!

Heather Jan Brunt



Your local radio station for Ellesborough,  
Butlers Cross, Terrick and the Kimbles

- ◆ Classic hits and recent releases
- ◆ Local news stories every day
- ◆ Detailed information about forthcoming local events

## Monday to Friday

- 7.00 am Red Kite Breakfast** Alan Taberer, Peter Dawes or Chas Large get your day off to a great start
- 10.00 Howard Bond** Classic hits, recent releases plus plenty of local information
- 2.00 pm The Afternoon Show** Fine music plus features and chat with Sheila K or Heather Jan Brunt
- 4.00 Drivetime** Music and comprehensive local travel news with Peter Dawes
- 6.00 The Gold Kite** Non-stop hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s
- 7.00 Monday The Seventies Rewind** with Howard Bond
- Tuesday The Funk, Soul & Dance Show** Smooth, cool sounds
- Wednesday The Nineties Rewind**
- Thursday The Sixties Rewind** with Cherry Waller
- Friday The Eighties Rewind** with Andrew Duthie
- 9.00 Monday The Musicals Hour** with James Kershaw
- Tuesday, Thursday Motown Magic** Classic Tamla Motown hits
- Wednesday Red Kite Country** Country hits old and new
- 10.00 Nice and Easy** Relax and unwind at the end of the day with Sally Poulson
- 11.00 Through the Night** Non-stop hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s

## Saturday

- 8.00 am Saturday Breakfast** with Ian Sandford
- 11.00 The Noughties 'Til Now Show** Hits from the noughties, tens and today with Hannah Austin
- 1.00 pm Saturday Sport** Music plus local and national sports news with Peter Dawes
- 5.00 The Funk, Soul & Dance Show** Two hours of smooth, cool sounds
- 7.00 Red Kite Party Night** Four whole hours of classic party hits
- 11.00 Through the Night** Non-stop hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s

## Sunday

- 8.00 am Sunday Breakfast** with James Kershaw
- 11.00 The Gold Kite** Non-stop hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s, including the **Wychert Vale Church Service** at 12.00
- 1.00 pm The Sunday Afternoon Session** with Andy Mitchell, including **The Acoustic Hour** at 3.00
- 4.00 The Noughties 'Til Now Show** Hits from the noughties, tens and today with Hannah Austin
- 6.00 The Gold Kite**
- 7.00 Sunday Rocks!** Classic rock tracks with Ian Sandford
- 10.00 The Breakaway Blues Show** with Graham Andrews
- 11.00 Through the Night** Non-stop hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s

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# Book Review - The Paper Lantern

## The Paper Lantern by Will Burns

It's not often that the magazine has the chance to review a serious book on local affairs - especially one that looks in detail, and comments critically, on our neighbourhood and times.

The author writes from an unnamed public house on South Street in Wendover. Over the chapters the writer journeys out from Wendover and if you live in Ellesborough you will recognise many of the descriptions of places and people along Will's route.

It is not a comfortable tourist guide,



*Will Burns - internet image - photo by Antonio Olmos*

there will be something to unsettle everyone. The author references a single languid buzzard circling Coombe Hill, that reflects the cool eye and dispassionate tone of the book.

The period described is 2020 and there are depictions of nature that perhaps we all had a chance to notice as we came out of lock down that Spring.

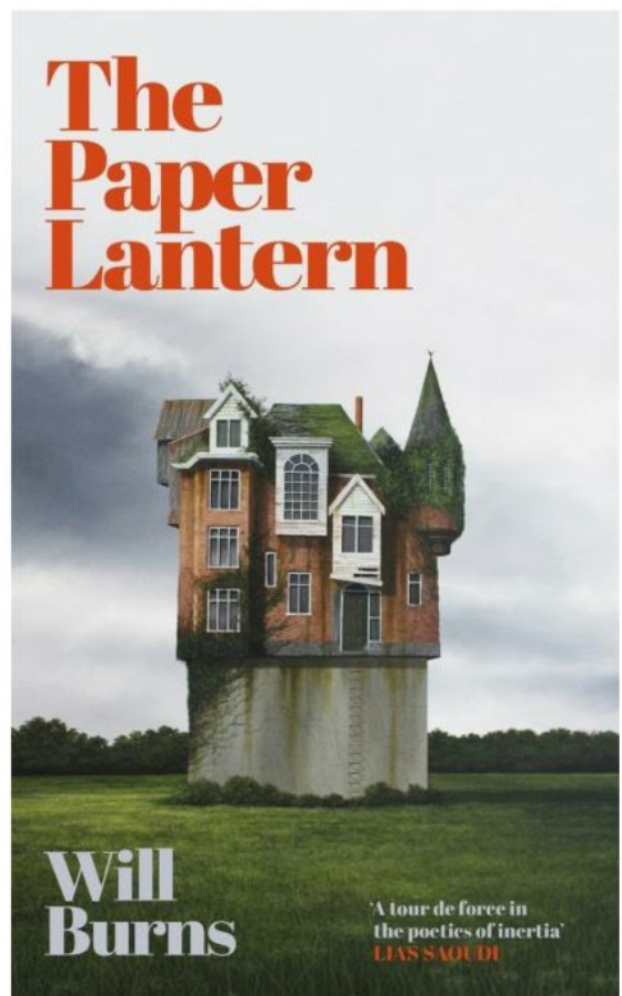
The author gradually widens the breadth of the of the area covered to include Missenden and Chess Valleys. There is no sentimentality, and some of

the descriptions and conclusions are surprising for someone who was brought up there in their childhood.

Will's account also covers the usual targets of HS2 and the gradual change of Aylesbury from a busy market town to something quite different. But the journey is personal and has some intimate twists in the story line.

I enjoyed the book and would recommend it, however be prepared for an unsettling read.

Richard Jennings



Reviewed by Richard Jennings

# Farm Blog - November 2021



The last cow from our Autumn calving group has delivered her calf safely this week, and so begins the process of bringing most of the cattle in for Winter. As the days shorten and temperatures drop, the grass will stop growing and their diet will switch to one of stored hay and silage. The Spring was a cold and dry season so our stocks aren't plentiful, but we will certainly have enough for the winter ahead.

Our 3 rams have also been put to work, enjoying the company of 150 ewes for the next 6 weeks.

COP26 has drawn to a close, with most of the popular press focusing on the commitments to phase down fossil fuel usages. It may not be the committed approach that some would have hoped to see, but it's pleasing that the attention is on fossil fuel usage rather than the agricultural industry. Modern, regenerative farming practices are starting to confirm the theory that British livestock and arable agriculture has a huge amount to offer as part of the solution to climate change. We need the support of government policy, industry and other partners to achieve an ambitious net zero target by 2040.

Staff in the shop have enjoyed getting festive in recent days, with 1 November being the

annual redecoration day swapping cobwebs for tinsel and pumpkins for sprouts. We broke records last year in how early we reached our limited capacity for Christmas orders, and this year looks set to be no different. Please don't delay if you are considering ordering your Christmas meats from us as we don't want to leave customers disappointed.

Also this month we have sadly said farewell to our colleague and friend, Aleta. She has decided to leave the home counties for a tranquil life by the seaside, and we



wholeheartedly wish her all the happiness she deserves in her new home. Aleta was one of the first members of staff who joined our shop team and we will miss her immensely.

For any order enquiries please email [info@buckmoorendfarm.co.uk](mailto:info@buckmoorendfarm.co.uk), telephone us on 01296624425, or pop by to discuss your requirements. The shop is open Tue - Fri from 10 - 6, and Sat - Sun from 10 - 4.

From all of us at Buckmoorend Farm, we hope you have a very Merry Christmas

Daniel Hares

# Interesting Times at Coombe Hill Farm Cottage

Knowing that John Hambly had some interesting tales to tell about his cottage (a listed building) we asked him if he could write an article for the magazine. He has kindly done so, for which we thank him, and provided the photograph below.



The cottage looked charming from the outside, and after a survey, which later turned out to be completely useless, we purchased it in September 1985.

The surveyor had failed to pick up major structural problems, and then specified repairs that proved to be totally inadequate. Things came to a head when sitting in the living room during my recovery from a major spine operation, I looked up to see gaps appearing between the wall and ceiling beams. We had a series of discussions with supposedly structural engineers and builders, and the forecasts got gloomier and possible solutions progressively more expensive. We looked to be heading in the direction of costs that would be significantly greater than the purchase price.

By a stroke of good fortune, I found a company that specialised in the construction and repair of timber framed buildings, who then replaced a badly fractured purlin in the roof void, at a fraction of the prices that had previously been estimated. We were so

pleased with the outcome that we contracted Andrew and his merry men, to renovate and repair the entire cottage. Traditional materials were used wherever possible, and the net result is that this cottage is much stronger than when originally built and will last for a good few more centuries. During the renovation, we also had the thatched roof stripped back to the bottom layer and rethatched. The thatcher (not Mrs T.) told us that the bottom layer went back to late Victorian period.

The cottage was originally two dwellings that were later converted into a single dwelling. We did not know the original age of the cottage, but Andrew said at the time, that by looking at the purlin and rafter joints he estimated it to be around 400-500 years old. This was later confirmed when some old plaster was removed in an upstairs bedroom, to reveal a chalk block chimney breast. Cut into the chalk was the date 1657 – a reminder of Oliver Cromwell's time as Lord Protector. This date is now displayed behind a small glass plate.



## Interesting Times at Coombe Hill Farm Cottage (continued)

During the renovation, Andrew happened to be wheeling a barrow across the old crazy paving which was at the back of the cottage. The paving collapsed, and Andrew, barrow and load disappeared down a hole. Fortunately, the drop was only some 3-4 foot and Andrew was not injured. What appeared was the top of an old well, lined with chalk blocks.

The well looked interesting so we decided to excavate the infill to see what we could find at the bottom. Andrew and his team dug down twenty two feet, and although the chalk block lining was in good order, at that point we called a halt. To go further would have meant issues on insurance and time spent inserting safety props. A ladder was put down and plastic covered wine racks inserted into the chalk blocks. An oak cover was made for the well, and for many years I used it as a wine cellar.

Several years later my wife met a very old man and his companion, leaning over the gate, looking at the cottage. The gentleman who had lived there as a boy, had come back to look at his old home. My wife mentioned that we had uncovered an old well and had excavated part of it. He told her that the well was still in use when he lived there and went down to about one hundred feet to the water table. Just as well ( excuse the pun) we stopped excavations when we did!

Having made the cottage structurally sound, an application was made to erect a kitchen as an integral part of the property. This was duly completed some two years later using traditional building materials. Prior to any building work it was necessary to excavate part of the bank that was to the south of the cottage. The digging produced some flint knappings, fossilised antler horns and a few other interesting finds.

The final stage of the available house "footprint" was to build a study and fourth bedroom onto the south side of the cottage. Once again Andrew and his merry men were engaged to do the work, and once again excavation was required before construction

could start. We were due to leave for a short break and I asked Andrew to put to one side anything he thought interesting.

On our return, we found part of a jawbone and some fragments of skull. Andrew meanwhile had advised the police that he had found human remains some eighteen inches below ground level. Almost immediately, an inspector and several police arrived, and the cottage was secured with police tape. Eventually after several cups of tea, the police departed, and we were eventually told that the remains were very old, and of no forensic interest.

We contacted a county archaeologist who told us that from the direction and depth of the remains, they were pre-Christian, either Romano-British or Anglo Saxon. He also said that any other remains would be under our front lawn. On his advice, we put them back where they were originally found, carefully wrapped in a supermarket bag. A subsequent search with a metal detector produced nothing more than an old metal toothpaste tube, some bottle tops, and a shilling piece.

Even after all this time, we continue to find objects from the past. Clay pipe fragments, crockery shards and flint knappings turn up from time to time. A couple of years ago, we did however find something that was far older. Shortly, before Covid, when digging in the garden, I unearthed a very heavy piece of mineral that was about the size of a large walnut. My first thought was that I had found a meteorite, and I contacted the Keeper of Geology and Natural History at the County Museum. He identified it as a Marcasite nodule, which is made from iron sulphide, a form of pyrite. The chalk in Bucks formed around 95-80 million years ago at the bottom of large prehistoric seas. Marcasite nodules would form wherever there was a concentration of iron in the chalky mud at the bottom of these seas. And I thought our cottage was old!

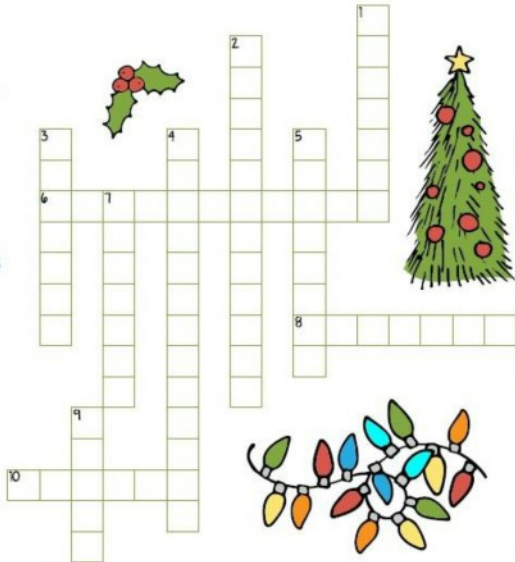
There are other stories to be told, and I am certain still many things to be found, but that will have to wait for another day.



# CHRISTMAS PUZZLE PAGE



## Christmas Crossword

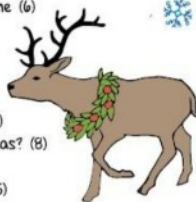


### Across

- 6. What do you put up around the house at Christmas time? (11)
- 8. "We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy \_\_\_\_!" (3,4)
- 10. \_\_\_\_ Bells is a popular song at Christmas time (6)

### Down

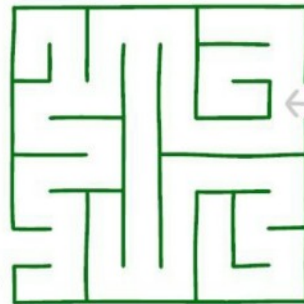
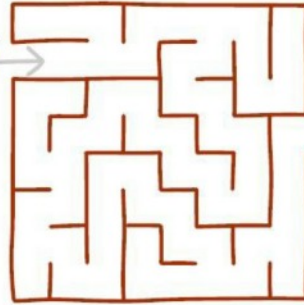
- 1. What does Father Christmas like to eat? (7)
- 2. What is the day before Christmas called? (9,3)
- 3. \_\_\_\_ the Red Nose Reindeer (7)
- 4. Presents go underneath the \_\_\_\_ (9,4)
- 5. What do you hang up the night before Christmas? (8)
- 7. What do reindeer like to eat? (7)
- 9. What is another name for Father Christmas? (5)



## Christmas Mazes



Can you help to deliver the presents to the Christmas tree?



## Christmas Spot the Difference

Can you find all 8 differences between these pictures?



## Christmas Word Scramble

Can you unscramble these words to find the hidden word?

sehlig

lagne

nosw

teer

corasl



# Kimble Stewart Hall

For many years after we moved into the Parish I used to joke that "it was so kind of the villagers to rename the Kimble Village Hall after us, to celebrate our arrival" - while at the same time always meaning to find out why a village hall, deep in the countryside of 'England's fair and pleasant land' had attracted the "Stewart" moniker. As with most good intentions, I never got around to further investigation and, as usual, it was left to my wife to do the work. The following explanation is therefore based entirely on Sue's research.

The tale starts in Glasgow, in 1866, with the birth of one Charles Edward Stewart – a son and heir to Andrew Stewart, a successful industrialist who had founded and built the company of 'A&J Stewart' who became one of the largest manufacturers of iron and steel tubes in Scotland (metal tubes being a key component of almost every steam engine). By the turn of the century the company employed over 8,000 men and in 1903 they merged with Lloyd and Lloyd of London to become 'Stewarts and Lloyds' and thus one of the major players in the UK market.

Young Charles married his wife Katherine in Glasgow in 1900 and following the merger with Lloyds, moved to London to keep an eye on them. The couple set up home in town where they lived for several years before moving to the largest house in Kimble - 'Lady Mede' - shortly before the First World War. (As well as his leading role in running the family business Charles was also a very gifted painter, exhibiting at the Royal Academy from the age of 16 and for the following 30 years).

The war took its toll on the youth of Kimble and the area and as in most communities around the country, there was a long debate afterwards as to how best to commemorate the war dead. It was finally agreed that a simple memorial cross should be raised, and that fund raising should be continued with the hope of also building a village hall. The sum of £240 was quickly collected and with the memorial cross being provided at a cost of £100, this left £140 as the start of the fund for the hall. Edmund Benyon, who lived at 'The Hawthorns' in Little Kimble, gave part of the

cricket field (which he owned) as a site for the building, and following what the local rector Rev. E. Foord-Keleey recalled as "a very pleasant evening" with Mr and Mrs Stewart at Lady Mede on October 20<sup>th</sup> 1924 – 3 days later he received a letter from Mr Stewart offering to fund the remainder of the building costs. Further local resident Georgina Maria Stewart offered a fund to provide for the upkeep of the building and the young Miss Stewart also pledged a piano.

Another villager, architect Charles Marriott Oldrid Scott, of 'Scott & Son' - the grandson of the great Sir George Gilbert Scott – who lived at Moor Cottage, was commissioned to design the hall and it was constructed by local builders Crook and Judd of Waddesdon. The building was formally opened on Armistice Day in 1925, and called simply 'Kimble Village Hall'.

Sadly, Charles Stewart's son Hector died in 1935 and as a memorial to him, Mr and Mrs Stewart offered to add a further room to the hall. The only condition to the gift was, to quote the Bucks Herald of 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1935 "that such a thing as dancing should not take place in the room. The Kimble dances seemed to attract a lot of strangers and he wanted the room to be for the use of the parishioners only, particularly the young men and women." A very fine plaque in Hector's memory, was also erected (and remains) within the hall and it was in gratitude for this further gift that prompted the Parish Council to rename the hall 'The Kimble Stewart Hall', which fortunately it still remains. Charles himself died in 1942 and following his wife Katherine's death in 1949, their house was sold, to become 'Ladymede School', with the name retained until quite recently.

So now (thanks to Sue's research) when I drive past the hall, I'm able to think of my fellow Glaswegians who came down to London to manage the family business and then drive past the beautiful house that they made their home.

John and Sue Stewart

# Pumpkin Recipe

(See page 8)



## MERINGUE-TOPPED SPICED CHESTNUT & PUMPKIN PIE

### Ingredients

- 450g pumpkin flesh, sliced into 1cm pieces
- 100g cooked, peeled chestnuts (or vacuum-packed cooked and peeled whole chestnuts), quartered
- 200ml double cream
- 50g muscovado sugar
- ½ tsp mixed spice
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- Pinch of ground cloves
- 50ml golden syrup
- 2 large free-range eggs plus 2 more, separated
- 2 large knobs stem ginger (from a jar), chopped
- 65g caster sugar
- ¼ tsp lemon juice

### For the pastry

- 275g plain flour, plus extra for dusting
- 125g unsalted butter, cold, cut into cubes
- 2 tbsp icing sugar
- 1 large free-range egg yolk

### Method

1. For the pastry, sift the flour into a bowl and add the butter. Gently rub together with your fingers until it resembles crumbs. Stir in a pinch of salt and the icing sugar. Add the egg yolk and 1-2 tbsp ice-cold water, then mix quickly with a flat-bladed knife to bring together. Turn out of the bowl and lightly knead to a dough. Shape into a disc, wrap in cling film and chill for 30 minutes.
2. Preheat the oven to 180°C/fan160°C/gas 4. On a lightly floured work surface, roll out the pastry to a 28cm circle. Use to line a 24cm pie dish. Prick the base all over with a fork and lay a sheet of baking paper over the top. Fill with baking beans or rice. Blind-bake for 10-12 minutes until golden, then remove the beans or rice and bake for 5-10 minutes until sandy to the touch.
3. Put the pumpkin in a pan along with the chestnuts, 130ml of the cream, the muscovado sugar and enough hot water to cover. Bring to the boil, then cover and cook for 15-20 minutes until the pumpkin is soft enough to push a knife through.
4. Remove the pumpkin and chestnuts with a slotted spoon, then turn up the heat and cook to evaporate most of the liquid. Return the pumpkin to the pan with the spices and syrup and mash as smooth as you can.
5. Beat the whole eggs and yolks with the remaining cream and ginger, then stir into the pumpkin mix. Pour into the pastry base and bake for 45-50 minutes until just set.
6. Beat the egg whites until they hold their shape, then gradually whisk in the caster sugar and lemon juice until stiff peaks form.
7. Turn the oven down to 160°C/fan140°C/gas 3. Take out the pie and top with swirls of meringue. Return to the oven and cook for 10-15 minutes until golden. Serve warm or at room temperature, with cream.

# Ellesborough Parish Council Notes - November 2021

With the clocks having turned back and the evenings drawing in, as we head into the colder winter months, could I take this opportunity to remind us all to be mindful of our neighbours who may need assistance.

Parish business continues at varying paces, and we try to respond accordingly.

We have recently seen some positive results with our continued engagement with EKFB, who have supported us by funding the Speed Survey along North Lee Lane. The issues of increased traffic (a number travelling at high speed )along North Lee Lane are a huge concern to the residents of North Lee Lane and the Parish Council. A second speed survey will be completed soon (and may have been completed by the time this goes to press). We will then try to look at the options for a long-term solution.

Councillor Gordon has looked at four different companies supplying Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS), and has recommended one company which will meet our needs. We are awaiting advice from PC Lee Turnham Thames Valley Police to take this forward to trial the Evolis from Elan City. You may see the remaining two VAS in the village.

We meet regularly with Mr Jon Deas from EKFB who updates us on all the road and footpath closures that affect us or have a knock on effect on the Parish. Recently, Mr Deas has visited a number of Parishioners to talk about the issues they are experiencing with the early works of HS2. If you have anything that you would like to talk to Jon about you can either contact the Clerk or Mark Rann who is the EWR and HS2 Marshall, to raise your concerns.

The Affordable Housing scheme remains a highly emotional and important subject. I am hoping that you will have seen the update on the Parish website and its inclusion in the Ellesborough magazine.

On the evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> November, Greg Smith MP held a "Pints of View" event at The Russell. A small number of Parishioners attended allowing them to talk to Greg about particular concerns, which covered HS2 traffic using Chalkshire Road, ramblers and footpaths, and the Affordable Housing scheme.



It is hopeful that these events will continue across the county and we will look at holding another event towards the summer of 2022.

We have sought advice on how to proceed with the "Fields in Trust", with regards to the recreational field, allotments, playground and the Parish Hall in an effort to protect them for future generations. As soon as we are advised accordingly we will proceed.

Councillor Holman is continuing to seek funding for the heavy duty matting for the recreational field, allowing cars to be parked on the field in all weather.

We have met recently with the Chairman and coaches of Risborough Rangers Juniors, to discuss the recent problems we observed with the parking of cars along the road. It has been agreed that we will have a reduced number of matches played at the recreational field in December and we will possibly restart January 2022. Hopefully we will know soon whether funding has been agreed.

The Speed Watch volunteers continue with their sterling efforts and we have received some data back from Mr Cripps indicating that we are seeing a slight reduction in the number of cars speeding. A big thank you to Mr Cripps and the volunteers, and if you are interested in joining the Speed Watch team please contact the parish clerk.

We are unaware of any updates regarding the parking consultation. However, we have received a statement from Councillor Steve Broadbent.

"I really appreciate the time and effort people and organisations have made in responding to our recent parking proposals consultation. It's important that we find the right balance for parking around nature spots and country parks in

# Ellesborough Parish Council Notes (cont'd)

the county. While we obviously want residents and visitors to enjoy these areas, we also need to ensure that car parking is as non-obtrusive as possible and has the minimum impact on these environmentally sensitive areas. We'll look closely at all the comments from the public consultation before coming back with a final recommendation report."

The parking proposals at this stage are available to view by going to <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/roads-parking/areas-near-to-natural-beauty-and-country-parks>

As we look at different ways of communicating with our parishioners we would like to direct you to the village Facebook page.

"Your Ellesborough"

We would like to think this will encourage our parishioners to post parish related topics.

We welcome you to join us at the start of our meetings for open forum.

Please contact the clerk should you require any urgent assistance.

I look forward to seeing you at the Carols round the Tree on the 10<sup>th</sup> December at the Village Hall, where the Ellesborough Silver band will play this year and we can sing and have a glass of mulled wine!

All that is left for me to do is to wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Debra Panikkar  
Chairman  
Ellesborough Parish Council

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## Parish Council Meetings in 2022

18<sup>th</sup> January

15<sup>th</sup> March

17<sup>th</sup> May

26<sup>th</sup> May – Annual Parish Meeting 8.00pm Parish Hall

19<sup>th</sup> July

20<sup>th</sup> September – Dunsmore Village Hall 7.30pm

15<sup>th</sup> November

All meetings start at 7.30 p.m., and except where indicated are held in te Butlers Cross Village Hall

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**Planning Applications for Ellesborough Parish 11 August 2021 – 10 November 2021**  
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21/08276/ADRC	Land at Meadowbrook Farm, Risborough Road, Little Kimble	Application for approval of details subject to Condition 10 (SUDS) of Planning Ref 18/08092/FUL.	Awaiting Decision
21/08211/FUL	Meadow Brook Farm, Risborough Road, Little Kimble.	Erection of Stable Building with yard area and parking.	Awaiting Decision.

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Application No	Address	Brief Description of Application	Decision
20/07979/FUL	Forge Meadow, Nash Lee Road, Terrick.	Change of use of land from residential to a mixed use of residential (Class C3) and dog care facility (Sui Gerneis) (Retrospective).	Awaiting Decision.
21/05792/FUL	North Lee Farm, North Lee Lane, Terrick.	Application for creation of new access to highway onto North Lee Lane.	Application Permitted.
21/06184/FUL	Summerland, Risborough Road, Terrick.	Alterations to and extension of existing access track and driveway including installation of gates, timber and post rail fencing, landscaping, erection of bollard lighting, creation of additional parking, hardstanding and extension to manège area.	Application Permitted.
21/06337/LBC	The Almshouse, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Listed building application for removal of two internal cupboards from the kitchen, replace 2 x pairs of existing french doors and block the original internal door partition in order to split the bathroom into two.	Application Permitted.
21/06524/CLE	Old Orchard, Nash Lee Road, Terrick.	Certificate of lawfulness for continued use of Old Orchard as a self-contained dwelling.	Grant Certificate of Lawful Use.
21/06934/FUL	Ellesborough Guide Centre, Missenden Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for erection of single storey side extension following removal of existing outbuilding and alterations,	Application Permitted.
21/06805/FUL	Molloway House, Dunsmore.	Application for removal of existing ancillary buildings, storage tanks and compost bins and construction of single storey office and gym outbuilding, gardeners' storage barn, greenhouse to rear, single storey pool house outbuilding, single storey side extension to existing garage for use as plant room and an outdoor pool.	Awaiting Decision.
21/07265/FUL	Muirton, Dunsmore.	Application for construction of replacement single storey side flat roof extension with roof terrace over and internal, external and fenestration alterations.	Application Permitted.
21/07251/ADRC	86 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for approval of details subject to condition 16 (SUDS) of planning ref 20/07667/FUL.	Permit detail Reserved by Condition.
21/07215/FUL	Midwinter House, Nash Lee Road, Terrick.	Application for construction of proposed detached carport/store.	Awaiting Decision.
21/07181/TPO	24 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for Crown Lift by 4.5 metres and reduce lateral spread by approx. 1 metre to 1 x Yew (T1) to clear telephone lines.	Application Permitted.
21/07077/FUL	St Peters Cottage, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for internal damp remediation and single storey rear extension.	Awaiting Decision.

21/07078/LBC	St Peters Cottage, Ellesborough Road, Butlers Cross.	Listed Building Application for internal damp remediation and single storey rear extension.	Awaiting Decision.
21/07059/ADRC	Land At Meadow Brook Farm, Risborough Road, Little Kimble.	Application for approval of details subject to Conditions 9 (Construction Traffic Management Plan), 10 (SUDS) and 12 (Landscaping Scheme of planning ref 18/089092/FUL).	Refuse detail Reserved by Condition.
21/07266/FUL	Lodge Hill Game Farm, Lodge Hill, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of two storey rear extension to existing barn to accommodate passenger/goods lift shaft (approved under previous scheme 20/07827/FUL) and single storey rear lean-to extension for storage use.	Application Permitted.
21/07233/TPO	105 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for Crown lift to statutory clearance over footpath and highway by 3m and remove branches growing into phone lines on client side for maintenance x 2 Turkey Oak (T1 & T2).	Application Permitted.
21/07068/FUL	94 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of replacement front boundary fence, sliding gate and concrete pier (retrospective).	Application Refused.
21/07722/FUL	The Old Bakehouse, 20 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of single storey rear extension to form laundry/utility room.	Awaiting Decision.
21/07702/CLP	The Old Bakehouse, 20 Chalkshire Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed demolition of existing garage and replacement garage with office/gym with 2 x side rooflights and shed.	Awaiting Decision.
21/08102/FUL	Coombe Lodge, Wendover Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for removal of existing outbuilding to side and erection of single storey replacement outbuilding.	Awaiting Decision.
21/08078/ADRC	Land at Meadowbrook Farm, Risborough Road, Little Kimble	Application for approval of details subject to Conditions 9 (CTMP) and 12 (Landscaping) of Planning Ref 18/08092/FUL	Awaiting Decision.
21/08027/ADRC	Summerland, Risborough Road, Terrick.	Application of approval of details subject to Condition 4 (Soft and Hard Surfacing) of Planning Ref 2106184/FUL	Awaiting Decision.
21/07990/VCDN	Land at Meadowbrook Farm, Risborough Road, Little Kimble	Application for variation of Conditions 10 (SUDS) and 12 (Landscaping) attached to pp 18/08092/FUL to allow for flexibility in respect of implementation.	Awaiting Decision.
21/07865/FUL	Coombe Lodge, Wendover Road, Butlers Cross.	Application for construction of single story side/rear extension, garage conversion and fenestration alterations including insertion of front and side bay window.	Awaiting Decision.



## The United Benefice of Ellesborough, The Kimbles & Stoke Mandeville

### ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE:



St. Mary's Church Rooms/The Ark: 28 Risborough Road, Stoke Mandeville HP225UT. Tel 01296 615886 and leave a message.

email. [ark.office@wendoveremail.co.uk](mailto:ark.office@wendoveremail.co.uk)

### ST MARY'S CHURCH ROOMS ALSO KNOWN AS THE ARK:



The Ark is a pleasant, comfortable and well equipped venue for our church ministries and meetings, including several caring agencies within our community. For a small fee The Ark may be booked for private functions when not otherwise in use. For bookings please contact Lesley Turner by email [bookingsattheark@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsattheark@gmail.com)

### PASTORAL CARE:



If you or someone you know would like a visit or a friendly chat, or home communion please contact Revd. Janet Wales (01296 612936) or Julia Northway (01844 342112).

### CHILDREN'S WORSHIP



We will be starting new Children's Services at St. Nicholas Great Kimble and St. Peter & St. Paul Ellesborough as soon as practicable. Details will be advertised through the schools when dates are settled. Contact Revd. Janet Wales if interested. Mustard Seeds has been discontinued.

### THE COFFEE STOP:



This has restarted on Thursdays from 10:30 to 12 but at St. Mary's Church, Stoke Mandeville – not at the Ark as formerly. Please do drop in and join us. Visitors from The Kimbles and Ellesborough will be more than welcome.

### PARENTS & TODDLERS:



The Group at The Ark resumes on 13 September 2021 every Monday during term times only, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Because of Covid, numbers will be restricted. Please book by emailing [thearktoddlergroup@gmail.com](mailto:thearktoddlergroup@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you again.

### THE YOUTH GROUP:



The Youth Group will not start until next year.

For more information and dates please contact The Ark (01296 615886) or [ark.office@wendoveremail.co.uk](mailto:ark.office@wendoveremail.co.uk)

## STAY WELL AND HAPPY THIS WINTER



Winter can be a particularly difficult time for many people who are living alone or are dealing with a debilitating illness. As the nights draw in and darkness prevails there are many ways to stay upbeat and energised, vital to one's mental health and overall wellbeing. Here are some top tips from local resident Trudi Scrivener who is founder to Amersham based home care company Ashridge Home Care. As her carers look

after many elderly, frail people or those living with a debilitating illness such as Parkinsons or Dementia, she knows only too well the difficulties winter can bring and is a passionate believer that everyone can stay at home healthy and safe with a few simple tips.

Not everyone has family nearby, and a visiting carer can be the perfect solution to offer companionship and help with every day tasks during these colder days. Her experienced team of visiting carers can stop by for as many or as little days as is required for a minimum 2 hour visit each time. And for many this is all they need to stay comfortable and safe during winter. Visiting carers offer not only practical help with housework, shopping trips, picking up prescriptions but they will take the time to get to know their clients over a cup of tea, walks in the fresh air if they are up to it, and practical help shopping for family Christmas presents and posting them across the world.

Alternatively, this might be a good time of year to consider a live-in carer. A professionally trained carer carefully matched to share your interests and have the correct training to support with specific medical needs should enable you to stay in the comfort of your on home whilst having the help and support required with daily living. They will help with personal care, dressing, making food and be an excellent companion. They will have access to an inhouse medical specialist and 24 hour help for emergency situations. People living with medical challenges for example after a fall or hospital treatment can stay at home knowing they are properly looked after and it's proven they are happier and safer than moving into a residential care. Live-in carers don't need to move in forever they might just help you through these darker winter and could then become a visiting carer in the spring if their help is no longer as necessary.

### **Top Tips:**

Stay mobile and active, even if it's just walking around the house, make sure you move every hour or so. It's easy to cosy up in front of the Tv or with a good book at this time of year but moving is crucial. Get fresh air if you can – being outside is proven to have a positive impact on mental and physical wellbeing either in the garden or on a little walk locally. Stay in touch with friends and loved ones via a telephone call or video call – it cheers you up! Eat something nutritious, even if you're not feeling particularly hungry eat an apple, biscuit or whatever takes your fancy but keep up your nutritional intake. Good nutrition is something live-in carers are renowned for as they will prepare nutritious healthy meals to your liking maybe in smaller portions if your appetite has decreased.

Malnutrition and urinary tract infections which older people are more prone to are preventable with good diet and keeping strong and healthy helps to prevent falls. Falls are common in older age or for people living with Dementia or following a stroke. Hence a live-in carer even visiting carers to a lesser extent will prevent falls. Carers will ensure your environment is hazard free, removing frayed carpets, sticking doormats down and cleaning up spills immediately.

Ensure your vaccinations are up to date and you keep doctor's appointments. It sounds easy but so many appointments are forgotten – keep a calendar on the wall in the kitchen.

Wrap up warm and stay stocked up. Again it sounds simple but it's easy to run out of staples like tins of soup, ready meals in the freezer and tea bags. Make sure you always buy an extra something on each supermarket visit. And keep the thermostat up or put on layers. Carers will ensure your pantry is not empty.

Use your time well – this is the time of year when everyone tends to spend more time at home indoors so stay on top of housework and administration duties. Just an hour a day can make a huge difference if you are able to.

Final TOP TIP - stay happy and healthy. Do whatever makes your heart sing and makes you smile. Sing along to the radio, play your favourite tune on the piano or re-read your favourite book.

Call Ashridge Home Care for a friendly informative chat or help if you need it. A visiting or live-in carer is an affordable option for many and can make a huge difference. Lots of us could benefit from a home carer just to help through winter. Visit [www.ashridgehomecare.co.uk](http://www.ashridgehomecare.co.uk) or Telephone **01494 917344**.

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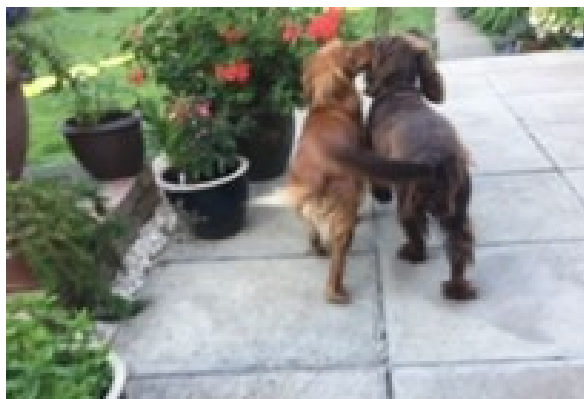
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# Pooch Paradise

Last year with lock down it was reported that so many people became first time dog owners. Both my husband and I have always had faithful, canine companions and many friends asked me to write this article to explain what made last year so eventful for us in the dog world. Well it all started with a kiss !!..... Between the handsome Trigger on the left and our beautiful, brown spaniel Bramble on the right.



In June last year they tied the knot and by the middle of July Bramble's ultra sound scan confirmed she was going to have puppies (at least two). We made preparations and ordered a whelping box (puppy birthing bed) and specialist food for expectant Mums. We started to record her weight gain and marked on the calendar Day 63 as this was the expected Puppy Arrival Day! Martin and I were also busy reading sections of the recommended 'Book of the Bitch' to gain understanding of what to expect next !?!



Puppy Day arrived and Bramble gave birth to five beautiful healthy puppies; three boys and two girls. Each bundle of black fur was given a different coloured, paper collar for identification purposes and after a quick check over were carefully laid next to their Mum for warmth and milk. Listening to their sucking noises was so reassuring and then we knew the excitement had only just begun



Saturday nights became the prime weigh in sessions and if any puppy hadn't gained much weight then their colour went on the chalkboard in the kitchen. This acted as a reminder for us to try and make sure they were placed in pole position at Bramble's milky bar and encouraged to latch on when it was feeding time.

Once the puppies were fully weaned at eight weeks old we knew it was then time for Bramble to have a rest. Four families then took delivery of their chosen puppy who went to their new homes and we kept the first born boy. We are often in touch with these families, exchanging pictures and videos to find out how they and their puppies are keeping and what antics they have been up to.

The highlight of our year was being able to invite everyone involved to attend the first puppy party at Mill House Farm where Carey and Sophie (d.d.training) organised party games for all dogs and families to join in and have fun. It was a wonderful ending to a memorable year!

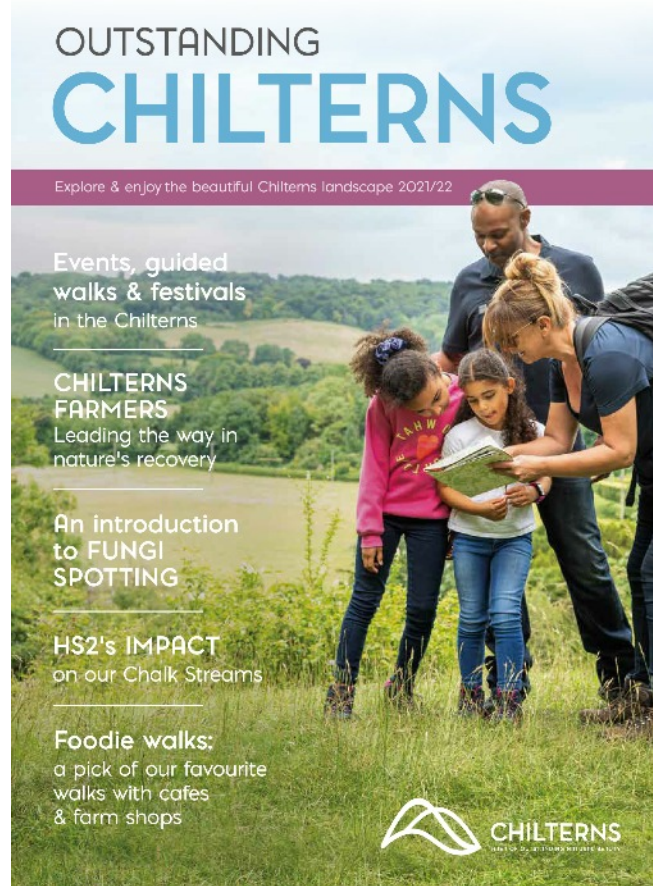


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# Ellesborough Village Newsletter No. 2

We are very fortunate to live in the Chilterns, an area of outstanding natural beauty. If wanting to venture further afield and not sure where to go or what to do then by clicking on the link below you will find the current magazine and also older editions full of ideas of places to visit, latest news, projects & events:

<https://www.chilternsaonb.org/latestNews/Outstanding-Magazine.html>



The magazines and website also advertise a variety of places to eat out, especially afternoon tea.

## Ellesborough Village Newsletter No. 2 (continued)

I know our local branch of the W.I. make delicious cakes and their President, Mrs Elizabeth Hine is also the Bookings Secretary for Ellesborough Parish Hall. Below is an updated table showing our Parish Hall availability and her contact details.

Days of the week	AM	Afternoon	PM
MONDAY	A.T.H. (Available to hire)	1-2.45pm Senior String Group	7-9.30pm Blues & Jazz band named '65.4' average age of members
TUESDAY	Cleaning of hall	A.T.H.	6.30-10.30pm Diamond Bridge Club (*Meetings also take place in Committee Rooms)
WEDNESDAY	9-11am Pilates class by Emma Lerner (school term time only)	A.T.H.	7-8.30pm Pilates by E.L. (during term time)
THURSDAY	A.T.H.	A.T.H.	7.30-9.30 Hampden Masonic Lodge
FRIDAY	3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri/mth 10am – Noon Coffee mornings held in Committee Rooms Open to all ages. Run by Elizabeth Hine – Bookings Secretary. Tel No. 01296 625912 or lizziehine@talktalk.net	A.T.H.	7.30-9.30pm Ellesborough Silver Band practise
SATURDAY & SUNDAYS		A.T.H.	

Christmas Carols with Ellesborough Silver Band takes place Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December in front of Ellesborough Parish Hall, around the Christmas Tree at 7.30pm. Everyone is most welcome to come and sing along. There will be mulled wine, mince pies and raffle tickets available to buy as fund raising for Ellesborough Silver Band.

### Macmillan Coffee Morning 2021

Having been unable to host an event last year, I really didn't know what to expect.

But on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 The World's Biggest Coffee Morning dawned bright, the sun shone and many of you returned to support me by raising significant funds for Macmillan. Thank you so much. Once again many local businesses donated raffle prizes. The garden was a hive of activity with 3 new stallholders selling their crafts, and it was great to see so many people catching up with friends over a freshly brewed cuppa, and a slice of delicious home made cake!

Manicures were done, and reflexology treatments given. Home made jams and chutney's were sold. It felt so good to be getting back to normal. Donations came in thick and fast on my JustGiving page, and in the post for a few weeks afterwards.

And the final total raised, was just amazing - **£3,665.00!**

Thank you everyone, for making it another successful year's fundraising for this very important charity.

See you next year!  
Julie Needle

## Discover Bucks Museum

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Food historian, The Copper Pot will share customs around food and cooking. You may be tempted to buy and try a very different, authentic Georgian-recipe hot chocolate.

There will be parlour games, fan and wig decorating, pomander making, trails plus much more!

**£8 Adult and £5.50 Child (includes traditional toy gift and craft activities). Under 3-year-olds go free. \*Gifts for children 3 years plus.**

**Book your tickets online at [www.discoverbucksmuseum.org](http://www.discoverbucksmuseum.org) or [here](#).**

**Discover Bucks Museum, Church Street, Aylesbury HP20 2QP.**

## British Legion Poppy Appeal 2021

It was good for the volunteers to be back on the road and meeting people in the village to deliver poppies to them. They were welcomed back by everyone. Griffin House School was the outstanding contributor. One of the pupils in Year 6, Alice Miles, crocheted 40 red poppies to sell to staff and friends to raise money for the Appeal. Our final total was £2,654.00 which included Gift Aid.

I shall be retiring next year and so am looking for someone to take over from me. I would instruct them on how to carry out the appeal and introduce them to all the volunteers. I sincerely hope someone in the village will step forward to continue the work that is done in the name of The British Legion Poppy Appeal in Ellesborough/Dunsmore. Thank you.

Diana Strathon  
Poppy Appeal Organiser  
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# Wendover Art Club Programme December 2021 - February 2022

**All meetings are held at St Anne's Hall, Wendover Christian Centre, Aylesbury Road,  
Wendover, HP22 6JG from 7:30 - 9:30pm**

Please note there is a charge of £1 on working evenings and £10 for non-member guests on demonstration evenings, but this is deductible from the £30 subscription if they decide to join the Club

**Christmas Exhibition**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
**At Wendover Library Room 10 a.m. To 4.30 p.m.**  
**Admission Free, but donations appreciated**

## January

13<sup>th</sup> Jay Nolan-Latchford will be demonstrating her technique with Quink inks.

27<sup>th</sup> A working evening - if we're able to arrange it a chance for us to try out Jay's techniques with Quink.

## February

10<sup>th</sup> Working evening, this can be your choice of subject and medium, or a chance to finish a piece of work

24<sup>th</sup> Graham Lester will be demonstrating paper sculpting - definitely not one to miss.

## March

10<sup>th</sup> We hope this will be our meeting with a **Paralympian**, but it needs verification when they get back from Tokyo.

24<sup>th</sup> Mark Fennell will be back with oil portraiture

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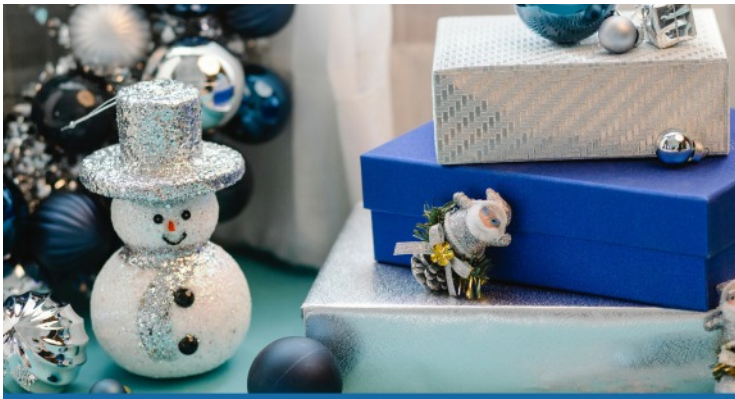


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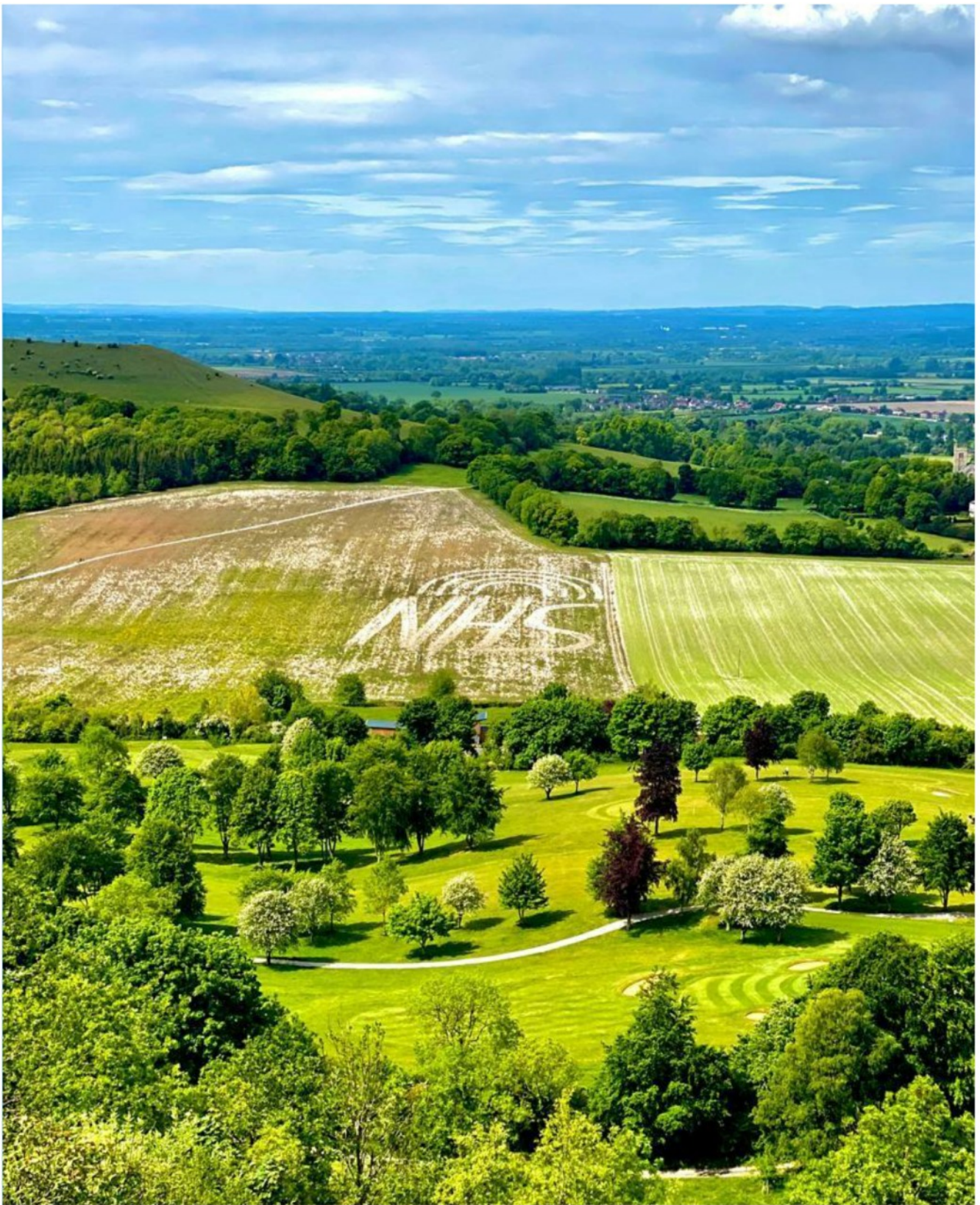


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